



# City of Duluth

411 West First Street  
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

## Meeting Agenda

### City Council

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The mission of the Duluth City Council is to develop effective public policy rooted in citizen involvement that results in excellent municipal services and creates a thriving community prepared for the challenges of the future.*

**TOOLS OF CIVILITY:** *The Duluth City Council promotes the use and adherence of the tools of civility in conducting the business of the council. The tools of civility provide increased opportunities for civil discourse leading to positive resolutions for the issues that face our city. We know that when we have civility, we get civic engagement, and because we can't make each other civil and we can only work on ourselves, we state that today I will: pay attention, listen, be inclusive, not gossip, show respect, seek common ground, repair damaged relationships, use constructive language, and take responsibility. [Approved by the council on May 14, 2018]*

**MN Statutes, 13D.02.** *Members may participate by interactive technology*

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Monday, February 23, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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### ROLL CALL

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [26-005](#) Meeting Minutes of the Duluth City Council

**Attachments:** [2026-02-09\\_City Council Minutes](#)

#### REPORTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

#### RESOLUTIONS TABLED

#### BY COUNCILOR DURRWACHTER (PURCHASING & LICENSING)

2. [26-0105R](#) RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE MINNESOTA GOVERNOR TO ISSUE AN EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER INSTITUTING A TEMPORARY STATEWIDE PROGRAM OF FINANCIAL RESIDENTIAL PROTECTION TO FAMILIES DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY OPERATION METRO SURGE (REPLACEMENT)

**Sponsors:** Clanaugh and Durrwachter

**Attachments:** [2020-3-23 Exec Order 20-14](#)  
[Cover Memo 26-0105R](#)

## CONSENT AGENDA

3. [26-0113R](#) RESOLUTION REVISING THE LIST OF HIGH PRIORITY BRIDGES IN THE CITY OF DULUTH.

**Attachments:** [Cover memo](#)  
[EXHIBIT A](#)

4. [26-0115R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO VEIT & COMPANY, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE "LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT - SPIRIT VALLEY" PROJECT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,960,738.00.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[Location map](#)  
[Bid Tabulation](#)

5. [26-0118R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC. TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR 2026 LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACE PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,564,265.00.

**Attachments:** [Cover memo](#)

6. [26-0122R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO NORTHLAND CONSTRUCTORS OF DULUTH, A DIVISION OF MATHY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, FOR THE PALM STREET STORMWATER POND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, CITY PROJECT NO. 2208, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,087,000.00.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)  
[Exhibit B](#)

7. [26-0124R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO HANCO UTILITIES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE 2026 GAS BLANKET PROJECT FOR MAINS AND SERVICES IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,329,885.00
- Attachments:** [Cover memo](#)  
[Bid Tabulation](#)
8. [26-0125R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO HANCO UTILITIES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT - EAST HILLSIDE 1 PROJECT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,972,447.50.
- Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[Location Map](#)  
[Bid Tabulation](#)
9. [26-0128R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF DRESSER GAS METERS FROM NATURAL GAS SOLUTIONS NORTH AMERICA, LLC. FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$131,039.00.
- Attachments:** [Exhibit A - Cover Memo](#)

**BY COUNCILOR JOHNSON (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)**

10. [26-0127R](#) RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IMPACTED BY OPERATION METRO SURGE.
- Sponsors:** Nephew and Johnson
11. [26-0131R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM GRANT OF UP TO \$200,000 TO SUPPORT CONSTRUCTION OF THE CROSS CITY TRAIL BETWEEN REDRUTH STREET AND SOUTH 67TH AVENUE WEST.
- Attachments:** [Cover Memo - CCT FRTP](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)
12. [26-0132R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A REGIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM GRANT OF UP TO \$300,000 TO SUPPORT CONSTRUCTION OF THE CROSS CITY TRAIL BETWEEN REDRUTH STREET AND SOUTH 67TH AVENUE WEST.
- Attachments:** [Cover Memo - CCT RTP](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)

13. [26-0133R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM EQUIPMENT GRANT OF UP TO \$75,000 TO PURCHASE A NEW PUMP FOR THE RIVER STATION TO SUPPORT SNOWMAKING AT THE SPIRIT MOUNTAIN NORDIC CENTER.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - F RTP Equipment River Pump](#)

14. [26-0134R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM EQUIPMENT GRANT OF UP TO \$75,000 TO PURCHASE A NEW PUMP FOR THE MAIN STATION TO SUPPORT SNOWMAKING AT THE SPIRIT MOUNTAIN NORDIC CENTER.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - F RTP Equipment Main Pump](#)

## END OF CONSENT AGENDA

*The following entitled resolutions are also to be considered:*

### BY COUNCILOR RANDORF (FINANCE)

15. [26-0110R](#) RESOLUTION AMENDING JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT C20604 WITH DULUTH ENTERTAINMENT AND CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY FOR THE OPERATION OF MINNESOTA SLIP PEDESTRIAN DRAW BRIDGE DURING YEAR 2026 FOR AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$52,000.

**Attachments:** [Exhibit A](#)  
[Cover Memo for 2026 resolution 26-0110R](#)

16. [26-0129R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH HANOVER INSURANCE COMPANY FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE AT THE COST NOT TO EXCEED \$370,000.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - Hanover insurance](#)

17. [26-0130R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DULUTH AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO INSURE CERTAIN DULUTH AIRPORT AUTHORITY PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT UNDER THE CITY'S PROPERTY AND BOILER INSURANCE POLICIES.

**Attachments:** [Attachment A](#)  
[Cover Memo -DAA](#)

### BY COUNCILOR DURRWACHTER (PURCHASING & LICENSING)

18. [26-0126R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH SFM RISK SOLUTIONS, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$75,936.

**Attachments:** [Exhibit A](#)  
[Cover Memo for Resolution 26-0126R](#)

**BY COUNCILOR FORSMAN (PERSONNEL)**

19. [26-0112R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE A PAY EQUITY IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.

**Attachments:** [Exhibit A](#)  
[Exhibit B](#)  
[Exhibit C](#)  
[Exhibit D](#)

**BY PRESIDENT NEPHEW (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

20. [26-0117R](#) RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATION OF A SLOPE AND FILL EASEMENT, EFFECTING LOTS 70, 72, AND 74, DULUTH PROPER FIRST DIVISION, EAST FIFTH STREET.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[Exhibit A - E 5th St](#)  
[Exhibit B - PLVAC-2512-0012 Staff Report with Attachments](#)

**BY COUNCILOR DESOTELLE (PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES)**

21. [26-0109R](#) RESOLUTION AMENDING A CONTRACT WITH SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON, INC. TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE WEST SUPERIOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT BY \$3,424,100.00 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$6,333,651.00.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[Exhibit 1](#)  
[location map](#)

22. [26-0120R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A STIPULATION AGREEMENT WITH THE MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY RELATED TO ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF MINN. R. 7050.0210, GENERAL WATERS OF THE STATE, FOLLOWING THE TISCHER CREEK FISH KILL.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)

23. [26-0121R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE NATURAL RESOURCES DAMAGES ASSESSMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY AND THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$190,000.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)

***The following entitled ordinances are to be read for the second time:***

**BY COUNCILOR RANDORF (FINANCE)**

24. [26-005-O](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE DULUTH CITY CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XXXIX REGARDING STEWARDSHIP OF CITY RESOURCES AND THE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WITH RESPECT TO ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL CIVIL IMMIGRATION LAWS WITHIN THE CITY OF DULUTH (REPLACEMENT).

Sponsors: Randorf

**BY PRESIDENT NEPHEW (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

25. [26-003-O](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF DULUTH TO RECLASSIFY PARCELS IN THE DULUTH HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD FROM RESIDENTIAL-TRADITIONAL (R-1) TO RESIDENTIAL-PLANNED (R-P).

Attachments: [Cover Memo PLUMA-2512-0007 .pdf](#)  
[Attachment 1.pdf](#)  
[Attachment 2.pdf](#)  
[Attachment 3.pdf](#)  
[Attachment 4.pdf](#)

**COUNCILOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

**COUNCILOR PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS**